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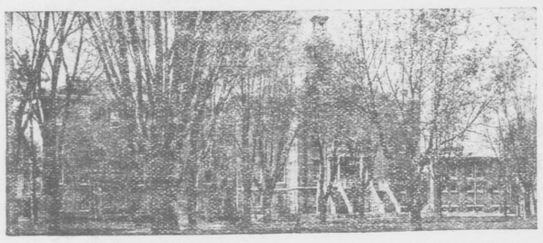

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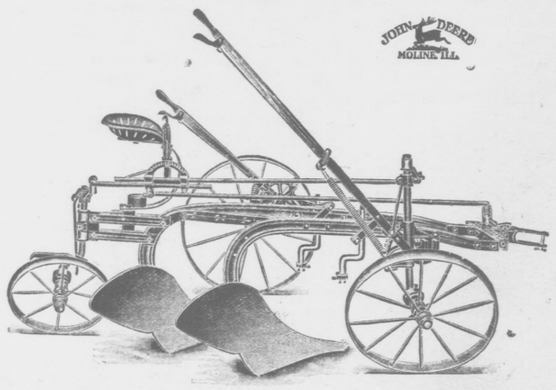

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TO TEACH LOVE OF FARM

Many grain merchants and local transportation officials gathered in the board room of the Chamber of Commerce, Baltimore, to hear Dr. O. H. Benson, of the Agricultural Department, Washington, tell the advantages to follow keeping boys and girls on the farm.

Dr. Benson is a special agent of the Department for the formation of boys' and girls' agricultural clubs throughout the country. He made it clear that the future productiveness of the farms depended on the interest of the present young generation in farm work.

He suggested that the work in Maryland be started in Baltimore county, which is rich enough and he thought, progressive enough to give early encouragement to beginners in experimental farming. Moreover, he thought the industrial school at Sparks Station, on the Northern Central, would be a good basis for such helpful work as may be needed at the start.

The meeting was called at the instance of the crop improvement committee of the Chamber of Commerce of which J. Collin Vincent is chairman. The scheme was indorsed by H. S. Lippincott, agricultural agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in a brief address. Letters indorsing it were read from President, E. Stanley Gary, of the Board of Trade; Geo. H. Campbell, assistant to President Willard, of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and Austin Gallagher, industrial agent of the Western Maryland Railway.

Traffic Manager Herbert Sheridan, of the Chamber of Commerce, says immediate steps will be taken to put the views of Dr. Benson into effect in Maryland.

Public Sale

The undersigned will sell without reserve, at his residence "Bune Vista" Farm, on the road leading from Masseys to Galena, Md.

Tuesday, Sept. 17, '12

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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS OF THE PENINSULA

DELAWARE

An apple tree in Magistrate Stengel's yard, in Seaford is in second bloom.

As the result of a sunstroke, Thomas Ryan an aged contractor, died at Rising Son.

Machinery has arrived for the new creamery at Frederica and is being put in place.

His auto flopping into a ditch, D. Cartwright, Brownsville, was seriously injured.

Rev. Alfred, Smith of Wilmington, wil be appointed pastor of the Galena Methodist Church.

A cannery with an output of 300 cases of 24 cans each has been placed in operation at Bear Station.

The new Masonic Home on the Lancaster turnpike, near Wilmington, will be dedicated on October 2.

A nine-pound trout, measuring 32 inches, was caught off the Breakwater by Sam Prettyman, of Lewes.

Four generations of the Melvin family held a re-union at the home of Edward Melvin, Milford, Saturday:

Mayor Harrison W. Howell, of Wilmington will investigate causes of high cost of living in that city.

Oliver A. Newton and J. E. Davis, Bridgeville farmers, will erect the largest poultry raising plant in Delaware.

Falling over the railing of the porch at her home in Wilmington, Adelaide Lewis sustained a fracture of the arm.

Charged with habitually beating his young wife, Roy Fowler was arrested in Milford and held under heavy bail.

Rev. W. J. Lowan observed the thirteenth anniversary of his pastorate at the First Presbyterian Church, of Newark.

The launch Nathan W. B. was badly damaged by fire while lying at Wilmington when gasoline in the hold was ignited.

Two women, members of the new sect, have stirred the people of Ellendale with prophesies of the coming end of the world.

Several big water mains in Wilmington have been broken by a heavy steam roller used in the construction of new streets.

Miss Lulu Ratledge, of Townsend, has been appointed teacher in Smyrna High School and Miss Lillian West in Newark schools.

Falling in a trough of water, Mary 2-year-old daughter of Carl Hines, of Earleville was rescued by her 4-year-old brother.

Arrested for disorderly conduct in Wilmington, Fred Hehl was something of a walking incubator as he had eggs in every pocket 13 in all.

A resident of Brandywine Hundred, who bathed his body in gasoline as a protection against mosquitoes has cured him self of rheumatism.

Miss Abigail Blackburn, of Bedford Springs a graduate of West Chester Normal school has been elected principal of Delaware City public Schools.

George Stroman, a sailor on the battle ship Kearsarge now lying at League Island, is under $300 bail for the Grand Jury in Wilmington for the alleged theft of 54 chickens.

MARYLAND

Lightning killed two cows in pasture on the Isaac Yocum farm, Harrisville.

Dr. C. W. Whaland, of Galena, has been appointed physican to the County Home.

Rev. Alfred Smith has been appointed to fill the vacancy at Galena M. E Church.

Thrown from a wagon near Zion, George Kirk was dragged and painfully injured.

Annie E. Forman has been sentenced to 30 days in Centreville jail for selling whisky.

Nearly 700 persons have subscribed toward bringing the Chautauqua back to Bel Air, thus assuring its return.

The drought has injured the tomato crop so badly in Maryland that this season's pack off at least 2,000,000 cases.

The Harford county Racing Committee has elected Lewis J. Williams a member to succeed Robert C. Richardson, resigned

William Henry was shot and killed at a negro camp-meeting near Ridgely, Sunday and the authorities are looking for Jack Perkins, also colored, charged with the deed.

LIVE MAIL CAN BE SENT

The Parcels Post Bill in Effect January, 1, 1913.

Postmaster General Hitchcock let it be known recently that the proposed parcels post plan enacted into law when President Taft signed the new post office appropriation would he put into effect as soon as possible. The Bourne-Lewis parcels post plan goes into effect January 1, 1913, so far as the establishment of the parcels post rates and zones are concerned and Mr. Hitchcock will endeavor to have the details worked out by that time.

Under this legislation it is provided that hereafter fourth class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products not now embraced by law in either the first, second or third class, not exceeding 11 pounds in weight nor greater in size than 72 inches in length and girth combined, nor in form likely to injure the person of any postal employe or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter, and not of a character perishable within a period reasonable required for transportation and delivery. For parcels post purposes the United States and its territories, including Alaska but excepting the Philippines, is to be divided into units of area 30 minutes of arc square, identical with a quarter of the area formed by the intersecting parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude, represented on appropriate postal maps and these units of area are to be the basis of eight postal zones.

The rate on fourth-class matter weighing not more than four ounces is to be 1 cent for each ounce or fraction and on matter in excess of four ounces weight the rate is to be by the pound, the postage in all cases to be prepaid by distinctive postage stamps affixed. Except as provided above the postage on matter of the fourth class, which is to be admitted to the parcels post rates, are by the pound or fraction therefor and varies with distance. On all parcels post matter mailed at the post office from which a rural route starts for delivery on such route, or mailed at any point on such route for delivery at any other point thereon or at the office from which the route starts or on any rural route starting therefrom, and on all matter mailed at a city carrier office or at any point within its delivery limits, for delivery by carriers from that office, or at any office for local delivery, 5 cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and 1 cent for each additional pound or fraction of a pound. For delivery within the first zone, an area of about 50 miles, except as above 5 cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and 3 cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound and so on for the seven other zones.

Postmaster General Hitchcock, as required by the new parcels post law, will provide such equipment, maps, stamps, directions and printed instructions as are necessary to administer the parcels post and to hire teams and drivers. He will be allowed to draw on a special appropriation of $750,000 made in the Postoffice Appropriation act. The postmaster-gen. is also required to provide by regulation for the indemnification of shippers using the parcels post for shipments injured or lost, by insurance or otherwise, and, when desired, for the collection on delivery of the postage and price of the article shipped, fixing such charges as may be necessary to pay the cost of those additional services. Live chickens, rabbits and other country products, fresh eggs and country butter will be handled by the parcels post. General farm and garden produce comes under the law. A joint commission of six members of Congress is making further inquiry into the subject of a general parcels post.

CHESTNUT BLIGHT

Making its appearance on a dozen estates in Maryland, chestnut blight is doing great damage to thousands of chestnut trees. Last year when the blight was devastating trees in other States Maryland escaped with little damage; but this year the scourge seems to be all the more severe because of its delay. Land owners have reported the appearance of the blight, which is in the form of a fungus, supposed to have been brought from Japan and which rapidly attacks the trees, spreading quickly from one tree to another and from one frost to another. It is estimated that 10 per cent. of the trees have become infested by the plague and many of them have been killed out right. No method of combatting the blight beyond the use of the axe has yet been found, and the owners of the places on which the disease has shown itself are alarmed at the prospect of losing many of their finest trees or of having to cut off large parts of them where the growth has shown itself.

THE TOMATO OUTLOOK

Indications are that the tomato crop which, until a few weeks ago, promised to be unusually fine, will be a disappointment to growers and canners alike. Blight has attacked the plants and many fields look as though fire had run through them, all the foliage being dead and only bare stalks standing, with fruit exposed to the sun. These conditions are reported to be general throughout the peninsula. It is impossible for fruit to mature perfectly on plants stripped of foliage, and the predictions are freely made by growers that there will be less than half a crop, appear to be well founded. Canning houses in this section have been running for the past two weeks on from one-half to two-thirds time. Next week is expected to be the busiest of the season. All fruit fit for canning will be gathered from many patches by the middle of September and it is predicted that some of the canning houses will be closed soon thereafter,

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

Gapes can be cured.

Clean out the sheep fold.

Market the useless roosters.

Plant some trees in the pasture.

Try keeping a few sheep on the farm.

Sit on the milk stool—don't pound the cow with it.

Hot, close weather brings lots of lice to the dirty pen.

Improved breeds of hogs are improving the hogs profit.

Are there any dead heads in your dairy? If so weed them out.

First class fruit will command a first class trade at first class prices.

Shorts are a more economical feed for sows and growing pigs than for cows.

A boy and dogs make a poor combination to bring the cows home from pasture.

In spraying, drenching is not desired; stop spraying just before dripping begins.

He who attends to the repair of machinery before using it saves both time and money.

When a dairyman learns to use the Babcock test he is started on the way to his economic salvation.

Frequent cultivation the remainder of the summer will fit the strawberry bed for its next year's work.

The best dairyman is clean, but because he has to be, but because it is second nature for him to be.

When the calf gets old enough to turn out to grass be sure and continue feeding a ration of grain or milk.

As the marketing season advances the patrons of co-operative elevator companies congratulate themselves.

The dairy cow has a capacity for a great amount of food and unless this feed is provided she cannot do her best.

Milk may be tested for butterfat at different temperatures. It is well to have it between 60 and 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

It is hard to see where those pigs that are growing up in a dry pen are going to make very much profit for their owner.

Never use crates or boxes more than once. Neat, clean boxes sell first even though the fruit may not be up to the standard in every way.

If you are careless or neglectful of spraying and get poor results this season don't say that spraying doesn't pay. It does pay—and pays big interest.

It is always safest to take no chances with a bull, no matter how good his reputation before a sale. It is so often the "gentle" animals that cause accidents.

There are two crops which cannot as a rule be grown in the same parish, sheep and dogs. Sheep are not profitable but dogs are the favorite with too many farmers.

A great many farmers do not realize that grass supplies a feed entirely different from corn and that it is a bad practice to change entirely and suddenly from one to the other.

Never introduce a new bird into the regular yard until it has been duly quarantined. Keep it alone for a week and note its condition, appetite, etc. Disease is often introduced into a flock by carelessness in this matter.

Too many forget to speak kindly to their horse, hence never have a kind horse. Get the affection of your horse, and you have taken a most important step toward getting his best services.

The grower who will sort his apples into two or more grades, packed well, will get more money for his fruit than the one who throws all kinds together in a barrel and places a layer of the best ones on top.

The best time to kill weeds of any kind is when they are small. Never let weeds go to seed. Stop the fountain of the trouble by planting only clean seed. A good fanning mill will solve the problem of clean seed.

Milk the cows clean.

Every farm needs a silo.

Give all farm animals pure water.

Stunted calves don't make good cows.

If you can raise a good steer why raise a poor one?

The pig eating sow is usually the result of bad feeding.

Learn to handle harness fast, on and off, it saves so much time.

The world keeps finding new uses for corn and corn products.

A roadside filled with tall weeds is a great harboring place for flies.

Get the old hens started for market as soon as they have laid their litter out.

The most eloquent friends the silo has are those men who have fed silage.

One good thing about the incubator, it never leaves the nest before the job is done.

A little salt daily for the cows is better than the weekly salting on Sunday morning.

The breeding boar should not only be a good individual, but be backed by good ancestors.

Sunshine is nature's best disinfectant and the pens and houses cannot have too much of it.

Clover is an exceptionally good cattle roughage, but at present prices its use is quite prohibitive.

Roosters of all breeds should be separated from hens when the molt. It takes them longer than hens.

Pigs allowed to make their beds on manure piles soon become scuffy and affected with a dry hacking cough.

If the heifer doesn't show up well with her first calf and give promise of being a profitable cow better get rid of her.

There is no question but what the thin blanket keeps the flies off, but however thin it may be it makes the horse warm.

If one of your hogs gets a grudge against another, put them in separate pens. They will do better and grow faster.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

Flour the cake pan after you have greased it to keep the cake from sticking.

Red currants added to the raspberries give raspberry jam a delicious flavor.

When you find mold on bread or cake, scald and dry out the box you keep them in.

Equal parts of olive oil and turpentine make an excellent polish for mahogany furniture.

When cucumbers have lost their crispness they should be fried exactly as you do eggplant.

Dish towles should be washed and scalded every day and dried in the sun to keep them sweet.

In starching colored clothes the starch should be very blue. It helps to keep the color bright.

A good sweet sandwich is made of banana cream spread between thin slices of sponge finger cake.

When an iron gets rough on the bottom rub it back and forth on smooth earth or a flat stone.

Sweet green peppers shredded with young cabbage make an excellent simple salad with French dressing.

If butter becomes a little strong, it should be worked over and slightly salted. This will restore the sweetness.

To restore polish on a piano case, first dust it with a dry, soft cloth, then dip a piece of chamois skin, of good size in clear, cold water, and wring as dry as possible, rub over the piano with this and if the skin becomes soiled rinse well and use again, always wringing as clear of water as possible each time. When it is clean, polish with a soft dry skin.

To clean a soiled lace yoke in a silk or cloth dress, rub powdered starch into the lace; let it lie several hours and then brush it out. The starch absorbs the grease and dust.

To remove paint from common wooden chairs scrub them with a solution of washing soda.

To destroy black roaches, try and keep the place they infest as dry as possible, for they cannot exist in a dry place, remove all food within their reach and scatter borax around plentifully.

Do not throw away vinegar in which home-made cucumber pickles have been preserved. Keep it and use it in salad dressing, instead of ordinary vinegar. The flavor is delicious and one that cannot be gained in any other way.

Preserved Quinces—Pare and core. Be sure to get out all the seeds. Boil the skins and cores one hour, then strain through a cloth, boil the quinces in this juice until tender; drain them out, add the weight of quinces in sugar, boil and skim then put in the quinces and cook slowly three hours.

Tomato Butter—To one quart of tomatoes add a pint of apple, cook and put through a sieve; add a quart of sugar and cinnamon to taste. Cook until thick.

Gooseberry Catsup—Six quarts of berries, nine pounds of sugar and cinnamon one pint of vinegar, one tea-poon each of allspice and cloves. Put one-half of the vinegar on the berries and cook until nearly done strain, add the rest of the vinegar and spices and cook slowly three hours.

Spiced Grapes—To one pound of grapes add one half pound of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, two of cloves and one of allpice. Cook the pulp and skins separately the skins having to cook much longer, then add the pulp and spices.

Chopped Pickle—One peck of green tomatoes, one dozen red peppers chopped fine, cover with salt and let stand twenty four hours; drain and squeeze dry, add a head of cabbage, a bunch of celery chopped fine, and one pint of grated horseradish, a teaspoon of cloves, a teaspoon of mustard seed, salt to taste and a pint of small cucumbers. Cover with cold vinegar.

Chow-Chow—Prepare and cut in small pieces the following vegetables: Two quarts of green tomatoes, twelve small cucumbers, three red peppers, one cauliflower, two bunches celery, one pint of small onions and two quarts of string beans. Cover with salt and let stand twenty-four hours, then drain. Heat a gallon of vinegar add a half ounce each of allspice, pepper and cloves, two ounces of tumeric and a fourth of a pound of mustard seed. When boiling add the vegetables and cook until soft.

Sweet Pickled Peaches—Boil together two pounds of brown sugar, a pint of vinegar and an ounce of stick cinnamon 20 minutes. Dip the peaches in boiling water and rub off the fur with a towel; stick each peach with four cloves. Put them into the syrup and boil soft, using half of the peaches at a time. This recipe uses half peck of peaches.

Preserved Melon Rind—Pare and cut in strips the rind of ripe melons. Soak in alum water, allowing a teaspoonful of alum to a quart of water. Heat gradually to the boiling point, and cook ten minutes drain, cover with ice water and let stand two hours; drain, add a cup of water to each pound, and pound for pound of sugar. Boil the sugar and water ten minutes; add the melon rind and cook until tender. Remove the rind to a stone jar and cover with the syrup. Two lemons sliced are often added to the melon while cooking.

Eau de cologne will remove candle grease.

Cabbage should always be boiled in two waters.

Tar stains can be taken out with oil of turpentine.

Overdone food is almost worst than underdone.

To keep celery and lettuce fresh stand the roots in cold water.